

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert on page 8 after paragraph [0030], the following paragraph:

[0030.1] Figure 1B is a top view of a sling according to another aspect of the present invention;

Please insert on page 9 after paragraph [0038], the following paragraph:

[0038.1] Figure 8C is a top view of a sling showing other embodiments of the tension adjustment means;

Please replace paragraph [0115] on page 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The tension adjustment means may be threaded axially along the sling mesh, through the middle of the sling or adjacent its ends. Preferably, this is done at the time of manufacture to provide an assembly that is conveniently used during a surgical procedure, without requiring the surgeon to assemble the sling and tension adjustment means during a surgical procedure. In one embodiment, the tension adjustment means 66 may comprise a plurality of elements woven axially along the sling. An embodiment of the tension adjustment means 66 comprising a plurality of elements is shown in Figure 1B. The plurality of elements may be parallel or non-parallel. For example, the elements may cross in the support portion II. As another example, the tension adjustment means may comprise a portion of the support portion that is more tightly woven than another portion of the support portion. Figure 8C shows examples of embodiments of the tension adjustment means.